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1. Thirty-six to forty twin-engine aircraft flew over ERFURT (W51/326) heading east at 1 p.m. on 15 June 1949. There was intensive flying with transport aircraft with fighter escorts over the town area on 17 June 1949.

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- 25X1A 2. a. The ERFURT-BINDERSLEBEN airfield was occupied on 17 June 1949 by a detail of 25 to 30 soldiers including 3 officers, wearing black-bordered, light blue epaulets. The detail was quartered in the BINDERSLEBEN inn.

b. Twenty-one twin-engine transport aircraft were counted on each day of 17, 18 and 23 June 1949. On these days of observation take-offs and landings of twin-engine aircraft were observed.

c. Parachute jumps from altitudes of from 500 to 660 feet were observed. Four to ten parachutists jumped from each plane and landed at the landing field. On 17 June 1949 at about 5 p.m. four parachutists were seen jumping from an approaching plane. The parachute of the fourth jumper failed to open.

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The report confirms information of 17 June 1949.

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